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Amendments to the Specification:

Please delete the first paragraph on page 1 under the title "INDUCTION OF BETA CELL DIFFERENTIATION IN HUMAN CELLS."

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph on page 20, lines 24-26:

--United States Patent Application Serial Number (USSN) 09/522,376, filed March 10, 2000, is explicitly incorporated in the present application by reference in the entirety and for all purposes.--